

Illinois Center for Violence Prevention Fact Sheet

Sexual Assault

- 20% to 25% of women in college reported experiencing an attempted or a completed rape in college.¹
- A 2005 survey of high school students found that 10.8% of girls and 4.2% of boys from grades 9-12 were forced to have sexual intercourse at some time in their lives.²
- 15% of sexual assault and rape victims are under age 12. Girls ages 16-19 are 4 times more likely than the general population to be victims of rape, attempted rape, or sexual assault.³
- 93% of juvenile sexual assault victims know their attacker.⁴
- In 2007, there were 248,300 victims of rape, attempted rape, or sexual assault.⁵
- 46% of rapists who were released from prison were re-arrested within 3 years of their release for another crime.⁶
- Rapes by force comprised 93.0 percent of reported rape offenses in 2009, and attempts or assaults to commit rape accounted for 7.0 percent of reported rapes.⁷
- The number of sexual assaults reported in the U.S. military rose 11 percent in 2009.⁸
- In 2008, there were 5,620 criminal sexual assault offenses reported to the Illinois State Police.⁹

¹ Taken from CDC Data Sheet PDF on Sexual Violence [Website]: www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/pdf/SV-DataSheet-a.pdf

² Taken from CDC Data Sheet PDF on Sexual Violence [Website]: www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/pdf/SV-DataSheet-a.pdf

³ Taken from RAINN website page "Who are the victims?" [Website]: www.rainn.org/get-information/statistics/sexual-assault-victims

⁴ Taken from RAINN website page "Who are the victims?" [Website]: www.rainn.org/get-information/statistics/sexual-assault-victims

⁵ Taken from RAINN website [Website]: www.rainn.org/get-information/statistics/frequency-of-sexual-assault

⁶ Langan, Patrick A. & Levin, David J. & United States. Bureau of Justice Statistics. 2002 *Recidivism of prisoners released in 1994 [electronic resource]/by Patrick A. Langan, David J. Levin* U.S. Dept. of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Washington DC

⁷ United States Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation. (September 2009). *Crime in the United States, 2008*.

⁸ United States Department of Defense. Assistant Secretary of Defense. *DOD release Annual Sexual Assault Response and Prevention Report*. 16 March 2010. URL: <http://www.defense.gov/Releases/Release.aspx?ReleaseID=13379>.

⁹ Illinois State Police. Reported Violent Offenses. Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, 2008.